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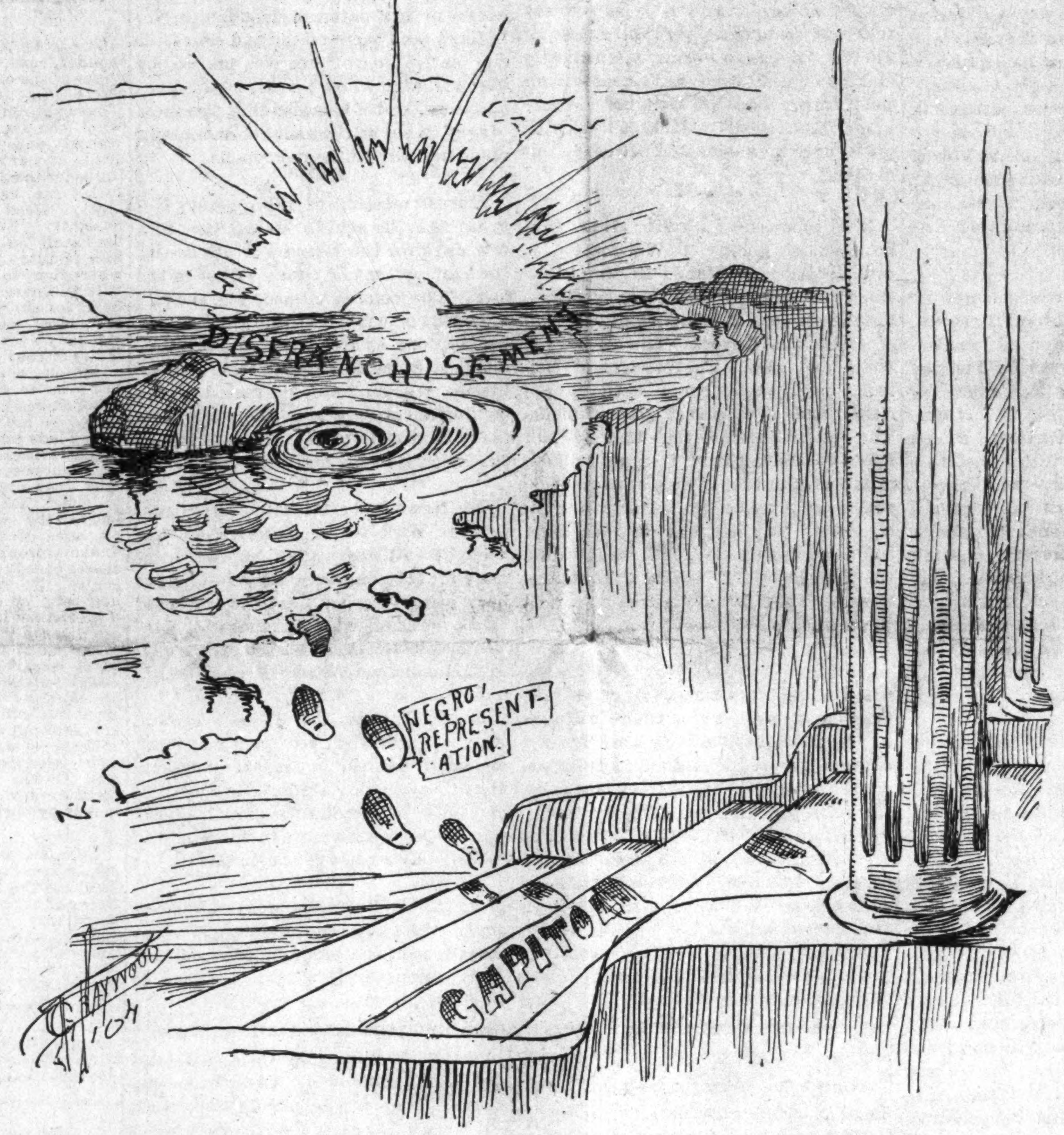

"Disfranchisements;" they tell the story; needless obstructions placed through prejudice and political greed. But time that hews down the granite shaft will be no less efficacious here, nor less efficacious in building up the disfranchised to an unquestionable plane. Disfranchisements are abominations as they are known; they cannot endure; must give away before the united artillery of a nation's unerring conscience. Truth, right and light need no advocates—they are of the ages.

LOUISVILLE'S WEEKLY EVENTS

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF DAY LAW CONTESTED BY BEREA SCHOOL

COLORED TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

A Potent Factor in the Educational Life of Kentucky—Finely Equipped Hospital—Negro Juror of the November Term—Personals.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—A potent factor in the educational life of Kentucky's metropolis is the Louisville Colored Teacher's Institute. Its membership includes the city's one hundred and twenty-five colored teachers besides an honorary list of public spirited citizens who stand high in the ministry, medicine, business, law, journalism and other callings that have to do with the practical uplift of the race. The Institute meets on the first Saturday in each month at the Central high school and Prof. A. E. Meyzeek, a young educator of rare personal magnetism, intellectual force and executive capacity, is the presiding officer this year. He is principal of the Eastern school and has served the people of Louisville long and most satisfactorily. Last Saturday's session was devoted to a highly instructive presentation of "Some Reasons for Manual Training in Public Schools," by Miss S. L. Rogers, the very capable supervisor of that important branch of learning. She corrected the popular error that manual training refers merely to teaching the hand to work as a machine, pointing out that the results wrought by the hand and muscle are but the concrete expression of the thought developed in the brain. She showed that the study of reading, writing, arithmetic, etc., is not the primal end of education but a means toward the end, a power to "do things" in the most intelligent way, ability to earn a living at an honorable occupation and to produce strong, thrifty and worthy citizens of the republic. Miss Rogers believed that manual training in its broadest sense, teaching the pupil how to utilize in every day life the facts and principles gathered from text books offered the best guarantee of bringing into effective co-operation the mind training of the school and the work that the boys and girls must do when they go out into the activities of the world. The true purpose and meaning of manual training were set forth in a new and vivid light. In the vigorous discussion the lucid argument of Miss Rogers was emphasized by such able speakers as Profs. J. S. Cotter, James Harris and A. E. Meyzeek and Misses Moore, Webster, Davis and others. The race pride of the institute was pleasingly shown by repeated references to the fact that the man who had done the most to demonstrate the positive value of manual training for all races and to revolutionize the entire educational scheme of the country in the interest of tangible results was a Negro—Booker T. Washington. This inspiring truth should not be forgotten by any gathering where manual training or industrial education is up for discussion. At the January meeting of the Institute the speaker will be R W. Thompson, of New Albany; subject "Journalism as a Factor in Popular Education."

No visitor in Louisville has been more hospitably entertained than were Henry P. Slaughter and his bride during their recent sojourn here. It was a veritable "home coming" for Mr. Slaughter's several years of employment at the government printing office in Washington have not weaned him in the slightest degree from his old stamping grounds to which he will return some day to win added laurels in the law and journalism. A few of his friends who "did the honors" for Mr. and Mrs. Slaughter with teas, dinners, evening parties, breakfasts and drives were Mr. and Mrs. A. E Meyzeek, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hill, Misses Nettie Steward, Nora Wilson, Mary Hicks, Belle Alexander, Rubena Rogers, Ida Nugent, of Louisville, and Mesdames Mary E. Washington and Grace Lucas Thompson, of New Albany. They were the guests for the season of Mr. and Mrs J. P. Simms, of 1102 W. Walnut street. Mr. Slaughter delivered an interesting address to the students of the State Normal school at Frankfort while in the vicinity.

The Citizens' National hospital, in connection with the Louisville National Medical college, is one of the finest and best equipped institutions of its kind in the country. Those who conceived it and fought determinedly for its establishment deserve unstinted praise. Among the promoters: Drs. W. O. Vance, W. A. Burney, C. L. Purcel, C. W. Houser, E. S. Porter and Sarah H. Fitzbutler stand in the first rank. The hospital will afford splendid clinical opportunities for the matriculants of the college proper and its complete facilities give the citizens a safe refuge when in the need of special operations and scientific treatment. A charity ball by the Ladies' auxiliary Club, No. 1, for the benefit of the hospital will be held at Odd Fellow's hall on the 21st and several clubs of ladies are taking a deep interest in furnishing and decorating the various wards.

For the first time in ten years the Negro was represented on the grand jury of this county during the November term. D. L. Knight, a business man of standing and an active member of the National Negro Business League, rendered such able service that we are not likely to be ignored on future panels as several names of the same caliber have been placed in the box. Mr. Knight is making a strenuous effort to reduce the "barrel house" evil which has so much to do with propagating the criminal element among our people and make us the largest patrons of the courts. Mr. Knight will have the support of all right thinking people in this timely crusade against the abominable barrel houses that degrade all who come under their influence.

"The Smart Set," with S. H. Dudley, J. Ed. Green, John Bailey, Marion Smart, Hattie Hopkins, Lawrence Chenault, Gus Hall, Jerry Mills and a host of lesser lights giving a new and improved "show" played to capacity for twelve performances recently at the Avenue theatre. They "owned the town" while here. The wonderful popularity of colored companies in this city suggests the thought a theatre owned and conducted by reputable colored men, playing colored troupes and high grade vaudeville would pay big. No "dives" are wanted here but a first class house where our best people could be entertained under favorable auspices could be warmly welcomed.

The suit brought out by Berea College to test the constitutionality of the Day law prohibiting the co-education of the races in Kentucky will come up at the February term of the Madison circuit court. A significant circumstance in connection with the case is the appearance of that eminent southerner, John G. Carlisle, as principal counsel for Berea. To hear him plead for the right of Negro children to attend a school along with the whites will be a spectacle that will cause old Kentucky to rub her eyes and wonder if the age of miracles has past.

James Taylor's Palm Garden, conveniently located at 1119 West Walnut street, grows in popularity with men who know how to appreciate "good goods" and elegant surroundings. Mr. Taylor is a first class business man and has with him a most capable and obliging staff of assistants, among whom may be mentioned J. H. Basket, Lewis McMillan, Frank Fleming and Daniel Payne. Visitors cannot be said to have seen Louisville if they miss dropping into Jim Jaylor's place

The 4 o'clock men's bible class, with Rector T. J. Brown as leader, is proving to be a popular feature of the Church of Our Merciful Savior. There is talk afloat that Rector Brown may be called to the pastorate of St. Luke's P. E. church, Washington, D. C., made vacant by the resignation of Rev. O. M. Waller, but his faithful flock here hope that nothing will induce Dr. Brown to leave this field where he is so greatly needed.

Tom Logan is on the western vaudeville circuit with the "Whangdoodle Comedy Four." The act they are putting on is one of the best on the road in catchy music and original comedy. Will Able, Logan's erstwhile partner, is filling local engagements, preparatory to joining a leading road company after the holidays.

The Kentucky State Teacher's Association opens at Lexington, Ky., Monday afternoon, December 26 continuing three days. Prof. Frank L. Williams, of Covington, president of the association, promises an attractive program and several educators of national renown are announced for lectures. A goodly delegation will go up from Louisville.

The colored schools of Louisville report an average attendance of 4491 for the first two months of the present term. The kindergarten classes are overcrowded, attesting the popularity of this desirable system of infantile instruction.

Miss Julia Brown, of Indianapolis, was among the Thanksgiving guests who came on to witness the foot ball game between our Central high school boys and the Summer high school team of St. Louis.

R. W. THOMPSON.

A SPECIAL CALL.

A gentleman of much ability, a doctor and a merchant with quite a deal of Real Estate, desires to correspond with some lady of education and virtue who has had industrial training and desires a good husband, he will send photo at once and cheerfully give all information desired. Any one writing him should mention the fact that they saw his advertisement in The Freeman

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Extending Financial Aid to the Church is Doubtful Benefit—Much Good can be Accomplished by Teaching the Truth—Work for the Schools.

The colored church, press and schools are agents in the work of uplifting the race that are absolutely indispensable. All elevation depends upon a knowledge of the truth but there are certain vital truths that can be brought to the minds of a people by no other apostles than persons and agencies that are of that people. There are truths which a simple statement in The Freeman will carry home to the minds of our people while papers published by white men might thunder away at the task for years without producing any convictions.

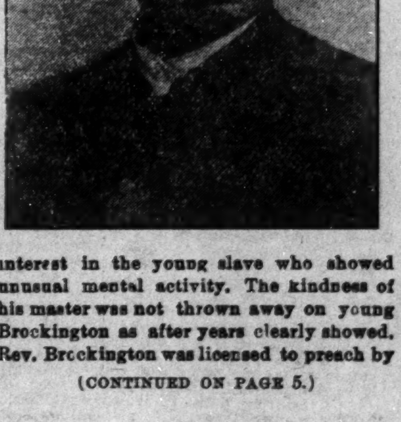
In speaking of our peope I do not include those individuals who have grown up in communities where their associates have been white people, but I mean those who have had close association with the race. There are certain beliefs, precepts, maxims and supposed knowledge which the past generation of the race has planted in the mind of the present generation that are fixed and that cannot be affected by any agency other than that of the race. The white man has no eloquence or argument that could shake the belief of the Negro in that which has been handed down to him by his forbears.

In this enlightened age it is easy to see that here is much in the traditional lore of the race that is inaccurate and that is wrong. The only way to correct the errors that have been planted in the minds of the young of the race is for those of the race who have influence and general confidence to teach the truth. That is why I say the colored church, press and school are indispensable agents in the work of enlightening and uplifting the race. Were some friend of the race to bestow his favor in the form of a million dollars in equipping one of our journals for its work he would add a most powerful agent to the good work of uplifting the race. It is doubtful if much real good is done by extending financial aid to colored churches, rather it would seem that the best thing is to encourage self-help. This is the theory of the A. M. E. church and it has proven a success thus far. To a large extent the schools of the race should be made to become more and more self-supporting, but the point where outside aid is most needed and would do most good is in the journalistic field. The race needs a strong journal that is not handicapped by lack of money. The gift of a library is as nothing when compared with the good that could be done by a strong and well equipped paper.

J. M. HENDERSON, M. D.
Boston, Massachusetts.

REV. I. P. BROCKINGTON, D. D

Rev. I. P. Brockington, D. D., subject of cut was born in Sumpter county, S. C. He received his training largely from Rev. Wm. Brockington, his master, who took a kindly interest in the young slave who showed unusual mental activity. The kindness of his master was not thrown away on young Brockington as after years clearly showed. Rev. Brockington was licensed to preach by



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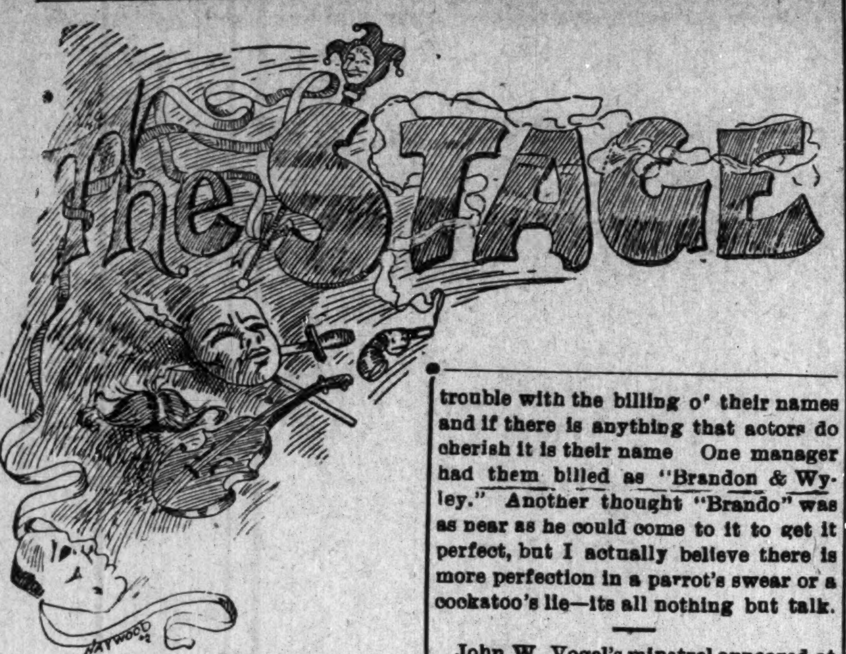
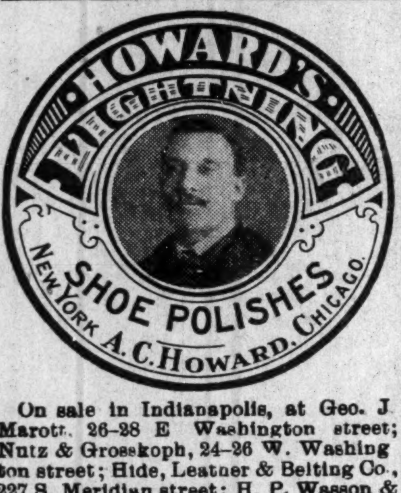


STAGE NOTES AND SHOP TALK

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

B. F. Keith's new theatre on Chestnut street, Philadelphia, is a swell establishment and runs a big business wagon. Keith's automobile omnibus carries human freight free of charge and the automobile man unloads his guests right in front of the door.

Brandow & Wiley have been having trouble with the billing o' their names and if there is anything that actors do cherish it is their name One manager had them billed as "Brandon & Wyley." Another thought "Brando" was as near as he could come to it to get it perfect, but I actually believe there is more perfection in a parrot's swear or a cockatoo's lie—its all nothing but talk.



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This gifted woman is a friend to the poor. She is the seventh daughter of her parents and a mighty healer from birth She blesses your home and makes bright your path forever and keeps your enemies behind you. The charming seal bone with which she works has been blessed and tested during the hours of midnight and was mighty. She works from the dead and reads from the sky Thousands of pretended mediums, fortune-tellers, etc, have tried to imitate this wonderful medium but her equal has never been found. She caus a speedy marriages; she has cured thousands who were blind, crippled and otherwise afflicted for years. Yes, lawyers, doctors, ministers, bankers and other professional men of the earth have sought this wonder medium for advice. She should live forever. She consulted over 30 000 people in seven months. Friends it would pay you to look around yourselves as you are asleep. Some one is crossing your path for evil not because you have harmed them anyway but because your living is kept out of their sight. Mrs Roberson gives you a spiritual luck charm that will cause your enemies to love you, make you successful in business, cause your family to live happily forever, drive away all evil from your pathway, cause you to save money and come into possession of property, cause you to gain back that which was stolen from you, cause the one you love to love you to the end and cause whatever you want to come to past. In fact make the dumb beast to love you. Her power excites the wonders. She is known all over the world as the queen of spiritual workers. Don't waste your time and money with frauds and be left in the same or worse condition than before but consult this Christion wonder and your troubles will end. No matter how much money you have lost in sickness and business, etc., don't lose any more, but consult this wonderful medium and take her advice and you will be wealthy and happy forever Price for consultation is $1.00. Enclose $1.00, a 2-cent stamp and your name and address and your life's reading will be sent to you at once.

Address MRS. H. W. ROBERTSON,
202 Fairmount Street. Dallas, Texas.

John W. Vogel's minstrel appeared at Mt. Holly, N J., recently. Mr. Vogel has a white troupe now. I met and conversed with some of the members of the company while waiting there for a Burlington car I also took a birds-eye view of their minstrel cab in the meantime. I did not go inside. I'm a good judge of minstrel cars by seeing them from the outside Things did not seem to me like they did in other days when Vogel's "Darkest America" was the talk of every western town and flooded the streets with people shaded in colors of white, alabaster and brown.

Flora Batson, queen of song, re-appeared in Philadelphia on Thanksgiving evening to a crowded house I met Miss Batson the next day on Market street during my visit in that city and learned that her mother has quite recently recovered from a recent illness Miss Batson was gorgeously attired in black and wore a heavy maroon red coat, embroidered with heavy black tape and a picturesque hat to match her dress She was supported in her concert by a bass singer and other first class talent.

The first grand concert of the new A. M. E. Zion church, Eighty-ninth street, between Amsterdam and Coloumbus aveunes. N. Y., was given on Tuesday evening, November 29. The chief star of the evening was Mme M E V. Clemons, high soprano of Kingston, N. Y., styled the "mocking bird of the Hudson" Other talent on the program were Miss Lillian Van Allen, soprano; Junius Williams, baritone; the Smith Sisters and the Eucledean quartet. Prof. Wm. C. ;Enty, of Kingston, was especially engaged as accompanist for Mme. Clemons. Rev. J. H. McMullen, late of Boston, Mass., is pastor of the church and J. W. Page was master of ceremonies for the evening.

Now that improvment has begun amongst the actors of New York the table of intelligence seems to have taken a turn. Some very unmistakable features have happened in the minstrel shows South and West that give us a constant set back. Quite a few years ago we may all remember a well known minstrel comedian was shot and killed by another member of the same company. We have had another attempt of the same thing recently. There should be a stop put to this kind of disgrace at once. All men who carry pistols are cowards. Men who carry weapons are generally the very men who get killed; very often such cowards kill themselves. If minstrel men are not yet civilized it will be best for managers not to allow any weapons on the cars. It would even be wise to cut out the use of revolvers in bad low life farces and dispense with pistols as props altogether. All decent men do love an even fist fight and all fair minded men should trounce a big brute that would tackle a little man and beat him senseless. It would be more creditable to these men if they would contribute one cent apiece to something honorable; say to renew a subscription for Horace Copeland, a poor helpless invalid brother. We are all born but not buried. Many actors graves have not been as cheerful as their stage careers were Good luck follows good deeds. Instead of looking black at the preacher it would be best for everybody concerned to look and listen, to ponder over this short written sermon if for no other reason than to receive a blessing for giving on penny toward a Copeland Freeman subscription. Charity suffereth long. Charity endeth not. Neither shall its advocates.

New York City Notes.—Smith & Bowman are rehearsing their company; they open December 26.—Rastus and Banks sailed last Wednesday for Paris, France—Bob Kelly is booking people for his jungle show.—The Drummer quartet, Phillip Partock, W. H. Tucker, N. B. Collins and J. F De Lyon, report that they will open over the Keith circuit February 6. They send regards to James Crosby and friends.—The reorganized Douglass club elected the following officers last week: John Jones, president; Jack Mitchell, secretary and manager; John Bull, treasurer With such competent gentlemen at the helm we may sure that the profession and their friends will be well taken care of when in New York.—Al Holman is very busy booking people for his foreign tour. Performers will do well to write him.—Walter F. Craig is to give a ball December 26 at the Amsterdam theatre.—Dude Foster has opened a club room at 127 East Twenty-seventh street and is well fitted up with tapestry and new furniture. The walls are covered with photos of the colored profession.—Joe Doles, famous and popular prize fighter, was one of the principals at the Madison Square Garden horse show. He is a clever trainer says Fiss, Doer & Carroll Co—Charles Moore, once secretary for Williams & Walker has a vaudeville act now; he opened in Rochester, N. Y.—"Eggy" Jones, headwaiter at the Douglass club, was the star at the beef steak party.—Jim Hunt, the popular entertainer, reports that everything is most encouraging since he has fallen heir to several thousands.—Usher Watts, the mandolinist, has just arrivod from the West. Dick Jackson's dancing class is a great success.—Ed. Ray, Tom Bethel, Fred Hurtz, Theodore Bowman and Clarence Bowen are wondering over G. Williams' luck.—Oscar Paul is singing "Better and Better."—Charles R Parker, will you ever write—Pat Bartlett sends direct to publishers for songs.—Etta Clermont is at the Bellwood (Brooklyn) indefinitely.—John Wharton is on the sick list—Baby Ruth was a pronounced hit at Rector's and Waldorf Astoria last week.

Notes of the Old Plantation Co.—The company closed a very successful season at the World's Fair last week. Some of the members are joining other shows while some are going home to spend the holidays.—Wm Earl, Sam Gardner and Elmer Wilbur have joined the Midnight in Coontown Co., which opened in St Louis December 3rd.—Batie & Simmons, the dancing comedians, will spend the Xmas holidays at their home, Atlanta. They are rehearsing a new act for the coming season.—Bob Batie sends regards to Wm. Bruce; glad to hear of his success.

RACE GLEANINGS.

Deal L Jackson of Dougherty county, Ga, has for the past seven years enjoyed the distinction of being the "first bale man of Georgia," and is one of the most interesting characters of that section. Jackson is an ex slave and the African blood in his veins is untainted. He has enjoyed no educational advantages, but through his own efforts has learned to read and write, and no man living can pull the wool over his eyes in a legitimate business transaction. Jackson is a builder of churches and schools for his people, and is one of the most public spirited men in Dougherty county. From poverty to financial independence has been a rapid progress for this Negro. He has been a farmer all his life and rented a plantation before he was grown. Mr. Jackson purchased his first piece of land eighteen years ago for which he paid $1,000, and as fast as one purchase was paid for he negotiated another, and to-day he owns 2,000 acres of the finest farm land in Georgia. This is not the sum total of Jackson's estate, however, and it is safe to say that his fortune is well in excess of $40 000. Jackson farms scientifically and his fields of corn are famous among the farmers of West Dougherty while his farm is a model. Jackson lives with his family in a splendid dwelling on his farm.

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It is reported at Duluth, Minn., that an agent of Booker T. Washington is taking options on lands in the Black Duck township, Beltrami county, Minn., for the purpose of establishing a colony of Southern Negroes. The country is fertile and new. The settlers of Beltrami county have heard of the proposition, and a protest is being made. The settlers declare that they will not agree to the influx of Negroes in large numbers, and that if they have no legal remedy will make life a burden for the colonists. The agent of Mr. Washington says that ample funds are behind the movement. It is said that options have been obtained on a greater part of the township.

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Ground was broken Nov 29th for the first building of a great Negro educational institution which the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational Society, an auxiliary of the Methodist Episcopal church, will erect at Spalding, five miles from Birmingham Ala. The first building will cost $30 000, and others will be erected, making the total investment several hundred thousand dollars. Among those taking part in the ceremonies were Bishop J. M. Walden of Cincinnati, Bishop D. A. Goodsell of Boston, President F. M. Jackson of the Birmingham Commercial Club and Mayor W. M. Drenven of Birmingham.

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The New York Presbytery, the local governing board of the Presbyterian church, voted against the establishment of a separate presbytery for the colored race by an overwhelming majority. The vote followed a two hours debate, in which Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, John Cox, Robert Booth and others participated. The presbytery has 185 members and of these only three voted in favor of a separate organization for colored people. All the presbyteries in the country are now voting on the same question, and when the vote is complete the matter will be taken to the national body.

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Miss Rachel Ellis of Greenville, Ind., was the first woman of the race to receive appointment, under the civil service, at the Immigrant Station at Ellis Island, N. Y Miss Ellis was born in Lebanon, Tenn., about twenty-three years ago. At an early age she was taken by her paternal grandmother to Indiana, and there reared and educated. Her entire school life was marked by high standing in each successive grade. She is tall and of commanding presence. Strong in her self-reliance she has easily made her way in the metropolis.

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A mass meeting of Bibb county Negroes is to be held in Macon, Ga, in a few days for the purpose of discussing the employment of convic labor in the city. The colored citizens say the employment of convicts to do work which can be done by free Negroes has a tendency to cause Negroes to steal. Resolutions will probably be passed at the coming meeting asking the white people of Macon to protect the interests of the Negroes in the matter.

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The News says: Alexander Freeman, a New York Negro 90 years old, has brought suit against an express company for $300 damages alleged to have been caused by the loss of an overcoat that once belonged to Abraham Lincoln. We may now expect all the others having Lincoln overcoats to do likewise.

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Major Taylor, the colored cycling whirlwind, has retired from the track and will become an expert chaffeur. He will also study automobile construction so as to thoroughly know his business. "No person more to lick with the wheel" is his reason for retirement.

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Mr. L. W. Baker (colored) of Wilberforce. Ohio, has been appointed superintendent of construction of woodwork at Washington, D C., at a salary of $2,000 per year.

MADAM MNAIRDEE-MOORE

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I, for one, as one in the midst. My heart ached from the cruel treatment of my husband and the way he would throw away his time and money until I consulted this wonderful lady. It will soon be a year. Through her he has become a loving husband; and today he presents me with a lovely lot on which he will in the spring erect a home. Tongue can't praise her too highly.

A LADY of New Iberia, La.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 17. 1902.

Madame McNairdee, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Madame.—Your letter like a ray of sunshine, came duly to hand and I am very pleased with it, for every word of it were true, I am sorry that I did not write to you months ago. I enclose $6.00 for your service, hoping that you may be successful in bringing about desired results. I feel quite sure that you can. I am very sorry to hear of your being ill, and sincerely hope your speedy recovery.

Molino, Fla., Nov. 14, 1902.

Madame:—You are the proper person in the proper place. All that you say is true and all you do is good. May God bless you.

F. J.

Guntersville, Ala., Oct. 26, 1902.

I tried Mme. McNardee and find that she is well up to her profession. She will tell things to come, and they will come as predicted. It will pay people to try her who want to know many things in the future.

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There is no doubt of this lady's prophetic power. She is a living phrenologist, palmist and a natural born clairvoyant to which thousands will testify. She is a God send to our country—born with a gift that no one can dictate. Tell you every incident of your past and present life and put you on the road of success both financially and physically if you will only heed her instructions. I called on her when the one I love had gone I knew not where and he returned at once, and today I am his dear wife.

A LADY of Fort Gibson, Ind. T.

Madame.—I feel it my duty to do this for you are all you advertise. Just think my husband and I have been separated 2 years; I called on you in September and in a week's time he returned and married me, and I can't praise you too much. Ladies that are heart-broken by family troubles, love affairs and bad luck until it seem that life is a blank, call or write to this dear lady, she will do you good; she will tell you to tru God and she will do the balance, and s will.

A LADY of Rossland, B. C.

Dear Sisters and Brothers—Call on her when you can, she will be please to meet you and will when ever you wish to. She devotes her entire time for the welfare of the people believing God will reward her She will make your very soul glad to hear her talk of heaven for she writes such soul searching letters, tells you how to make home happy. Send date of the month and the year you was born in and receive a full character reading. Enclose $1. Clip this ad.

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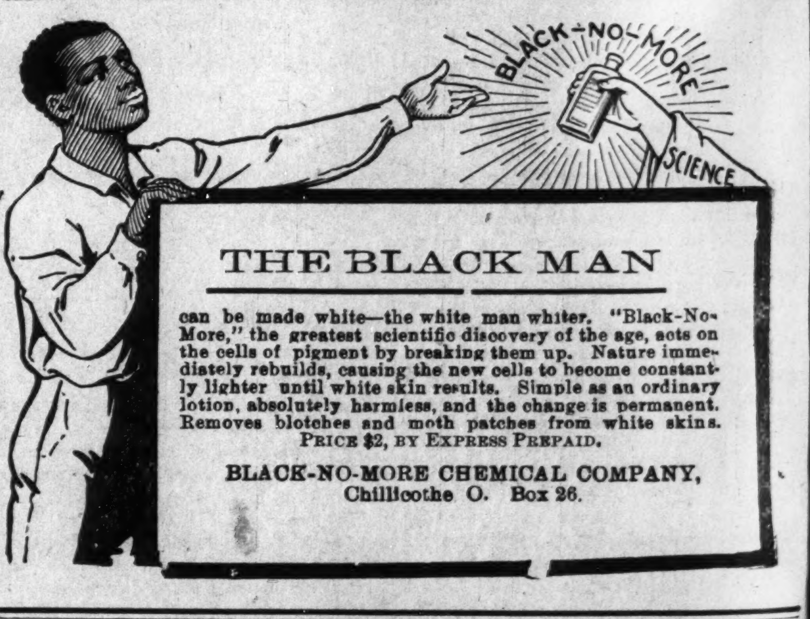

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THE WAITERS...

The Harvard sophomores shattered all traditions Wednesday at Cambridge Mass., by electing as class president W. H Keeling of Sioux City, Iowa, who is working his way through college President Keeling is one of the force of student waiters at Randall Hall, which is the largest eating hall managed exclusively by students. It is hard to remember a class president at Harvard in recent years who has not been a society or fraternity man or wealthy, or at least distinguished in athletics or other college activities. Although Keeling is popular with his classmates, he has never been prominent socially or even in athletics.

H. J Shelton, steward at the Kitchi Gamma Club, Duluth, Minn., is one of few colored men holding such a position and is a past grand master in culinary science. Mr. Shelton is popular and well liked by every one who know him. During the recent campaign he was selected as chairman of the colored citizens' mass meeting at which Hon J. Madison Vance and W. Forrest Cozart were the speakers Mr. Shelton was also formerly headwaiter at the Spalding in that city.

Headwaiter Walter A. Turner of the Perry House, Newport, a position he has occupied for the past six years, is accredited by the general public with possessing the most gracious and pleasing manner of any known colored man in these parts. Mr. Turner is also an intelligent man and thoroughly understands his business. He was born in Lynchburg thirty-five years ago.

W. T. Smith, who, until about two years ago, was headwaiter at the Homestead Hotel, Hot Springs, Va., has been engaged for the New Breakers at Palm Beach, Fla. The many head and sidewaiter friends of Smith will be pleased to hear of his re-entrance into the hotel business

It is rumored that R. M. Rush for many years headwaiter at the Colonial Hotel, Nassau, W. I., will not return to that hotel this winter, but will open a business of his own in Nassau. Mr. Rush was, last season, in charge at Macanac Island, and is one of the finest.

Raymond F. Trusty, a well-known headwaiter of Atlantic City, N. J., will the coming season be in charge of the dining room at the High Byscane Hotel, Palm Beach, Fla. Girl waiters will be employed.

William Dawson, the efficient headwaiter at the Spalding Hotel, Duluth, Minn., is making a great success Mr. Dawson also conducts the Markeen Hotel and cafe and a barber shop.

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THE WAITER.

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Edited By W. FORREST COZART.

HOT VS. COLD ROLLS CHANGING MEAL ORDERS.

A subject much discussed by the traveling public, and one which I believe to be a source of much annoyance to hotel men generally, is that persons dining in the average hotel seldom get rolls served to them hot. My experience has been that in nine out of ten hotels and restaurants that I visit, it seems impossible to get hot rolls. I repeat, hot rolls, not warm ones. I am sure this is a matter of much concern to my fellow hotel men, and I am free to confess that it is about as much care in houses I have run as any other item of food served to guests. No matter what style of roll heater, or what kind of appliance you may have for keeping various kinds of bread and rolls hot, it seldom reaches the guest in that condition. Having had much adverse criticism in my own house in regard to this item of food, I have made it my business to note how rolls are served in other hotels, and notwithstanding the fact that I cautioned the waiter serving me to bring me hot rolls and have them heated in the oven if possible, still I would receive them barely warm or cold. Hotel men reading this, I am sure, will bear out my statement by admitting that in most instances they have had the same experience.

Another feature that is about as annoying and irritating is where you give your order to a waiter, enjoining him strictly how you want this or that item of food served, stating exactly in writing how you want a steak cooked or some other food served, and after waiting a sufficient amount of time for proper service of same, have some strange faced waiter loom up before you and serve you with something you had not ordered, or only part of what you had ordered, and on expostulating with him, be told, with a shrug of the shoulders or a grin, that was the way he got the order from the man who took it from me. You have probably had this sweet experience; we all get it, but can we not overcome it in some way, thereby saving ourselves adverse criticism, and giving our guests proper service?

I presume we are all having the same experience in employing heads of departments, such as headwaiters, for instance, wherein the course of conversation with an applicant for headwaiter's position or some few other heads of departments, they ask you very frankly to give them some sort of figure as to what amount the gratuities or tips will foot up. I suppose it is born in a man to consider certain things and conditions perfectly proper, even if the majority of his fellow men deem it otherwise, but if there is anything debasing to man or woman kind in my estimation it is a cringing, smirking, bowing and scraping for a tip, which I believe can be given and accepted under certain conditions properly and decently. I think we all know how it makes one feel to give a good tip to one who waits on us and have him pocket the same without even a thank you. However, I did not intend to dwell or write so much of the tip question as I did the first two items, hot rolls and changing orders. I may, perhaps, bring down the criticism of some good hotel man who can teach me how to insure my guests in getting hot rolls, and if this article will bring about such a fortunate result, I shall feel that I am well repaid for wanting to know how to furnish my guests with hot rolls and how to get them myself in the average hotel.—F. H. Nunns in Hotel World.

AN ENTERPRISING LETTER TO ALL HOTEL WAITERS

Springfield, O., Nov. 28, 1904.
Editor The Freeman, Indianapolis:

Dear Sir.—Since I have been here at the Arcade, I have noticed the progress of other colored people through your most estimable paper. After leaving the Planet House in Chicago, I took charge of the Grandview hotel at Colorado Springs, Col., in the year 1902. In 1903 I returned to the Palmer House and remained during the year afterwhich time I had the Plaza hotel which I left in six months. Danville, Ill., proved to be quite a hotel town. From there I took up my quarters at Springfield, O., at the Arcade hotel where I now control a force of 25 waiters and the place which has excelled all others of its kind during the past three months. On the 19th of this month I appointed H. Thomas Alford, second waiter, vice Harry Steward, and have served many beautiful banquets and dinner parties. My entire time of service as headwaiter will cover some 15 years. Of course all of the things connected with this kind of work are not so pleasant. There is a fact which is a deplorable one; our waiters have lost many hotels on account of their negligence as relates to time making, bad uniform and boisterousness. First of these, time-making, is most assuredly essential, for a man at home is no good in the dining-room. Second, the colored waiter will wear the wrong clothes. Slow on shoe shining. And worst of all he can't talk without letting everybody near hear and understand his conversation. He will drop silver; and in 9 cases out of 10 he'll neglect his business for pleasure if he has the price and not even consider how and where he got it. This is not entirely due to the short comings of the sidewaiters.

There is indeed, much depending upon the competency and management of the headwaiters. If they do not know how to properly discipline the men intrusted to their control or do not give their work proper attention and make time, the subordiate workmen will drift into carelessness and throw an everlasting stigma on the service by the decendents of Ham. Another case wherein the sidewaiter is not always to blame is in the kitchen. But if you have a competent careful and well meaning headwaiter he will take up the the matter with the chef and thoroughly investigate the case as to the cause of trouble and who is in fault.

I am proud to say that I am well satisfied with my present crew of waiters and with the care and consistent management of my able second, Mr. Thomas Alford, I reap the benefit of the harvest I have been sowing for 15 years.

Thanking you for your space and hoping to visit your city in the interest of hotel business soon. I am

Yours very truly
J. W. REDMOND, Headwaiter,
Arcade Hotel, Springfield, O

The Small Loan and Investment Co. of St. Paul, Minn., with rooms at 421–2 Bradley building, doing a business of nearly ten thousand dollars annually, is a sample of the many race enterprises that spring up all over the country. Mr. J. S. Strong, the manager of the above company, was formerly a waiter in the Ryan Hotel in that city. The Small Loan Company was formed in the dining room of the Ryan, at which time the capital stock raised was thirteen dollars, and there were five stock holders. From this insignificant sum through the management of Manager Strong the company is now doing a good business selling, buying and exchanging real estate. Boys, here is a good lesson for you.

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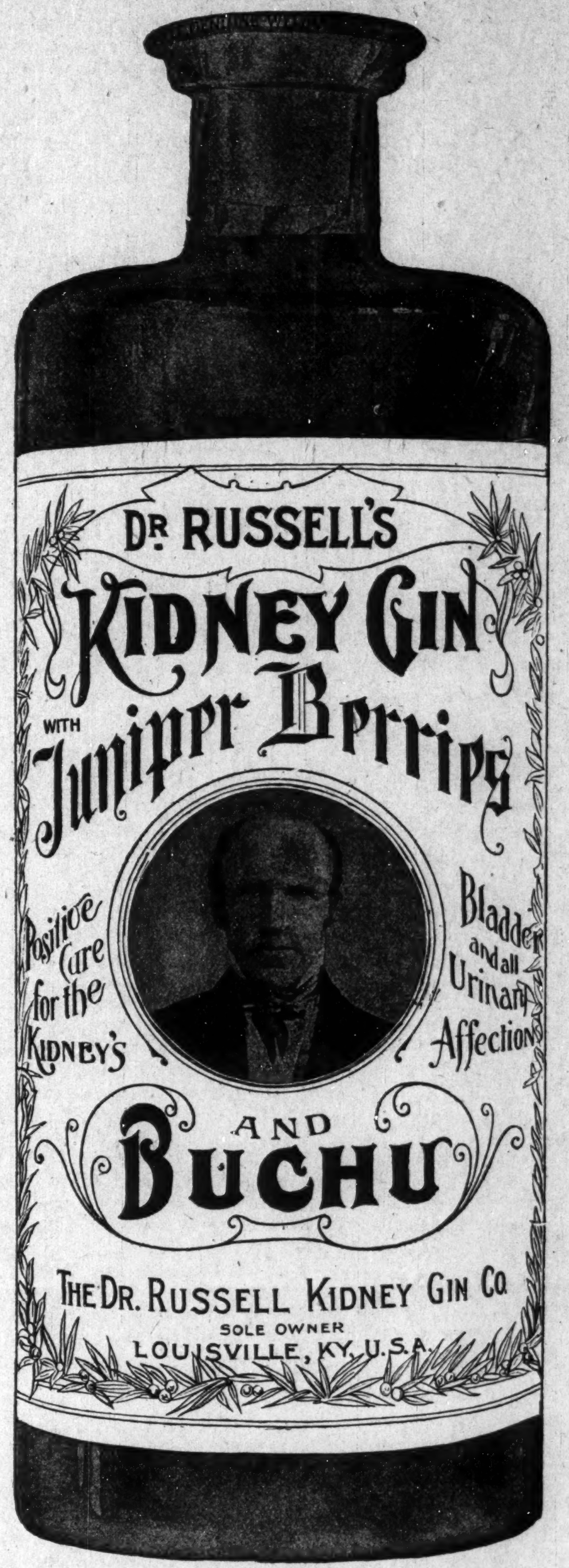
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FARM LABOR IN THE COTTON FIELDS.

Cotton-picking is on in the South and laborers are scarce. From many farms in widely divided sections the same wail comes up—"We have work to do and nobody to do it." The greatest and most indispensable of the world's agricultural staples, the one which is making the South rich and promises to give it an unsurpassed commercial supremacy, whitens the air over millions of acres, but is worthless until picked, ginned, packed and shipped to market. The harvest is ready, but the laborers are too few. This most vital of all the Southern problems has caused endless discussion, but no one has thrown so much light on the causes or so wisely suggested a cure as Booker T. Washington. In a long and able article in the Atlanta Constitution he embodies his experiences and in the candid, direct manner that marks all his utterances, tells what is the matter and what must be done if the evil is to be checked. After personal investigation Mr. Washington gives the reasons why so many Negroes prefer a precarious existence in a city to a life of comparative prosperity upon a farm. In brief, the principal reasons for the drift of Negroes to the populous centers may be summed up as follows—Poor dwelling houses, high prices of provisions, poor school houses and short school terms, bad treatment generally, white-capping and lynching, a general lack of police protection and want of thoughtful encouragement.

Every intelligent Negro, like every intelligent white man, wants the advantages of good schools for his children. He also wants the school term to be of reasonable length, good teachers paid living salaries, comfortable school houses and good sanitary and moral surroundings. Now, what, in fact, do the Negroes in many districts of the South get in this respect? In many country districts the school term only extends two or three months, the teachers inefficient and wretchedly underpaid and everything connected with the schools of a repellant character. Think of paying a teacher only eleven dollars a month, and try to think of the kind of teacher tha can be got for that amount of money. As a general proposifion the Negro laborer on a Southern plantation is poorly housed in a tumble-down shanty of one room. He is also poorly fed, overcharged for what he eats, and frequently overworked while underpaid. No wonder that he decides to take his chances in the city with its glittering allurements and dangerous fascinations. In the city he is at least free from the lynchers and terrorizing white-cappers, brutal foremen and niggardly employers. There, also, he has police protection and good schools in easy reach under competent teachers. Though lawless conditions are confined to comparatively few counties, the outrages that occur are widely advertised with the results of causing unrest of labor everywhere, the driving out of good labor and the deterring of others from coming to take their places.

There is no labor equal to that of the black man in the cotton fields, as all experienced Southern planters will admit. Neither Italians, Chinese or any others can compare with the black men in growing and handling the precious fleecy staple. As a mere matter of dollars and cents, therefore, it will pay Southern landowners to hold and increase this labor. The value of the farms, the size and quality of the crops, the progress and growth of the States depend largely upon the correct solution of this question. The way to do it is so simple that all may easily understand. It consists simply in making rural life, their work and surroundings more attractive to the laborers. Give them good schools, comfortable houses, fair pay, just treatment and show a kindly consideration for their welfare. Above all stop lawlessness and cruelty of all kinds, punish evil doers, suppress every phase of whitecupping and lynching and give laborers protection for life and property. Every one who has a grain of sense will see that this should be done for the benefit of the white property owners themselves, to say nothing of the advantages it would be to the men who work for them and on whose contented and cheerful labor their own prosperity depends.

SENATOR BACON AND CIVILIZATION.

Senator Bacon of Georgia is still unconsolable. The recent terrible knockout of his party has evidently shattered his nerves as well as embittered his disposition. He is out in an interview boasting of the continued solidarity of his section and challenging the gratitude of the world for the South because it has preserved its civilization despite the efforts of the Republican party to submerge it under a wave of Negro barbarism. There be those who do not think the South enjoys now or ever has enjoyed a very high order of civilization. Highly civilized people do not substitute lynch law for the regularly enacted statutes. They govern by justice and the golden rule and not with the shotgun, the rope and the fagot. Only savages depend upon the tomahawk and the scalping knife or subject their helpless prisoners to torture. If Senator Bacon is well read in history he must know that no civilization long continued among any people who kept their laboring class in slavery, peonage or hopeless ignorance. Wealth precedes civilization. Wealth brings leisure, leisure makes learning possible and with learning comes the development of the arts and sciences, educational institutions and all those agencies which are the recognized factors of civilization.

There can be no permanent civilization in any country where all the desirable things of life are confined to a favored few. The Roman patricians demonstrated this, but after governing exclusively for several generations were at length compelled to divide power with the plebeians, or artisan class, whose uplifting and contentment marked the real beginning of the republic's glorious career. If Senator Bacon will take a look at Egypt he will see that the recent remarkable development of that country by Lord Cromer has been due to that wise administrator's recognition of the rights of the fellowpeer or peasant class. These poor people, kept down, robbed and crushed for ages by the stupid and shortsitghted native rulers, have been placed upon their feet by this far-seeing Englishman. By lowering their taxes, raising their wages and in other ways aleviating their wretched condition, he has introduced a measure of prosperity and contentment which reacts to increase the welfare and prosperity of the whole country. The troubles in Russia to-day, the cancer of the stomach, which threatens her utter destruction, are due to an ignorant, ill-paid, misgoverned and oppressed peasantry.

It is the laboring class that produces the wealth and makes possible the civilization of which Senator Bacon talks so boastingly. The privileged class cannot hope to indefinitely monopolize the blessings of civilization, while resting on a seething mass of discontent due to mistreatment and oppression of those who are the chief agents in producing the elements of prosperity. Civilization, to be permanent, must include all classes. No government is safe that is hated by its peasantry; its laborers, its peons, its fellowpeer, or whatever name be given to those who make the country's prosperity in peace and fight its battles in war.

Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,
Where wealth accumulates and men decay,
Titles and crowns may flourish or may fade,
A breath can make them, as a breath has made,
But a bold peasantry, their country's pride
When once destroyed can never be supplied.

The Philadelphia Inquirer gives utterance to a profound truth when it says:

> "The race bugaboo is about played out. There must be given the opportunity to every man to eat his own bread in the sweat of his brow without hindrance and the door of opportunity must be closed on no man by reason of prejudice. This is not only sound American doctrine but is the esence of Christian civilization."

The agricultural department announces that the cotton crop in the South, this year, is considerably over 12,000,000 bales, the largest on record. This means somewhere between nine and ten hundred millions of dollars added to the wealth of the South. Whose labor produced this enormous crop and thus was responsible for the enormous increase in riches that it stands for? Practically all of it was produced by Negro men and women. It would be interesting to know how much of the proceeds they obtained for their arduous labor. At any rate, even a blind man ought to be able to see how potent a factor the Negro is in building up the material wealth of the South. Take him away, take all of them away, and then what? The Freeman is inclined to believe that, if the experiment was tried for just one year, the whites would be willing to offer great inducements to get them to return.

Heflin, "The Horrible," was elected from an Alabama district to fill a vacancy in the present congress caused by death of the incumbent. This is the individual who gained national notoriety by expressing a desire for the assassination of the President in one of his speeches during the campaign. It was stated in Washington dispatches last week that objection would be made to the swearing in of this swashbuckler when he presented himself at the bar of the House. This, by all means, should be done. No man of the type of Heflin is fit to sit in congress. If his constituents are so lost to self-respect as to elect him they should be taught that they will not be allowed to foist their barbarous representative upon the country. Our laws exclude anarchists from landing on our shores. Shall a self-announced anarchist be allowed to make laws for law-abiding people or be given a chance to utter his murderous sentiments on the floor of the House. Heflin should be kicked out of the House like a wild beast. His summary ejection would teach a much needed lesson to all the loud-mouthed fire-eaters of his class to put a check to their tongues when discussing public men and measures. Free speech is all right but there is a limit beyond which no man should be allowed to go.

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Dr. A. M. Curtis vindicated.

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Indiana's black laws repealed.

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Dr. Crum promptly confirmed.

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Attorney James H. Lott recognized.

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Elwood C. Knox a postoffice inspector.

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Whitelaw Reid as minister to England.

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Register J. W. Lyons remain where he is.

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Hefflin bounced and Vardaman trounced.

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A new Negro bank in Washington City.

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Negro leaders speak well of one another.

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Preachers better paid for conscientious work.

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"Senatorial courtesy" placed upon the shelf.

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Vice-president Fairbanks for president in 1908

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More Christian charity among our church people.

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T. Thomas Fortune appointed minister to Haiti.

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Recorder John C. Dancy enter the ministry.

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Two-faced preachers put to work on a rock pile.

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George B. Cortelyou secretary of the treasury.

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Young and old race leaders work in harmony.

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H. P. Slaughter start a strong paper in Louisville.

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Negro business men use printers' ink plentifully.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis in polite vaudeville.

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Emancipation Day celebrated everywhere January 1st.

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The National Afro-American Council rejuvenated.

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Emmett J. Scott take his pick of anything in sight.

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A competent Negro made minister to San Domingo.

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Zion's bench of bishops increased to twelve in 1908.

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Character acknowledged as the true passport to social eminence.

Preachers paid a definite salary and "find themselves."

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W. T. Menard a power in the politics of the State of Florida.

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The next World's Fair inaugurated without jim crow features.

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Sylvester Russell get off of Prof. J. S. Cotter's poetical bones.

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Individual worth appraised at its full value regardless of color.

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Col. W. W. Lewey in charge of the race's political forces in Florida.

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All unemployed graduates of northern schools go South and teach.

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Less jealousy of the prosperous and more sensible hustling for yourselves.

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Negro Business Leagues active at other than national convention season.

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The South raise more cotton and less of the thing that rhymes with "well."

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The next general conference of the A. M. E. Zion church held at Indianapolis.

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C. C. Curtis get up a grand Roosevelt jollification banquet in Washington.

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Roscoe Conkling Simmons as secretary of legation at Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

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Ex-Congressman George H. White and H. P. Cheatham again in the saddle.

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Enough Indiana senatorships to accommodate our overplus of favorite sons.

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The South give President Roosevelt a square deal, R. W. Thompson promoted.

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Five thousand farmers preparing to attend the Tuskegee conference in February.

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Universal recognition of the newspaper as the greatest factor in popular education.

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A square deal for our American churches granted by the British government in South Africa.

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The English language adopted as the general medium of international communication.

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A new deal in federal offices where the incumbents have held on for two or more terms.

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Justice Robert H. Terrell retained for life as magistrate in the District of Columbia.

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The Day law prohibiting co-education of the races declared unconstitutional in Kentucky.

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More attention paid to "bread and butter education" and less to frills, fads and non-essentials.

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More of our young men and women take advantage of the various civil service examinations.

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Self-constituted leaders and bumptious lecturers on the faults of their betters take a back seat.

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Our young men more active in church work and in movements that stimulate public spirit.

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Popinjays quit carrying tales to white party leaders in the hope of gaining a little cheap favor.

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Ambitious Negroes apply for positions other than those that are now or have been held by Negroes.

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell include the appreciative Middle West in her next lecture itinerary.

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Young wives practice economy and avoid society extravagance that throttle substantial progress.

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Rev. Jay Albert Johnson deny or affirm his alleged candidacy for the presidency of Wilberforce University.

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Southern regeneration peaceably accomplished by the South's cheerful acceptance of the war amendments.

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Every able-bodied Negro give at least one dollar this year toward the education of our people in the South.

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Washington Negroes insist upon the enforcement of the civil rights law upon strictly federal territory.

Colored property holders take care that the condition of their houses do not betray the color of their owners.

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Every servant of the people held to strict accountability for before-election promises and quality of administration.

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Colored men develop a faculty for business organization and holding together under strictly business principles.

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A reasonable revision of the tariff so sanely conducted as not to disturb our prosperous business conditions.

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A greater output of real poetry and less tawdry versification on the part of our embryo Byrons and Longfellows.

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Bridegrooms provide homes for their brides instead of depending upon parents for a shelter for the partner of their joys.

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The Republicans in congress stand pat on the Chicago platform and demand a rigid investigation of suffrage conditions in the South.

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The legislature of Alabama refuse to tamper with Tuskegee's appropriation to oblige a selfish and unscrupulous clique at Montgomery.

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Prof. W. H. Richards placed on the bench in the District of Columbia where his judicial talents could shine to the advantage of his people.

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ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Hours of service:—Sunday, 10:45 a. m., preaching; 12 m., class; 2 p. m., Sunday School; 7:30 p. m., preaching; class Tuesday night; prayer meeting Thursday night; teacher's meeting Friday night. Rev. H. E. Stewart, pastor, residence 1501 Cornell ave.

The general subject for Sunday night is: "Some Evils of the Twentieth Century."

The closing sermon on the Lord's prayer will be preached next Sunday morning by the pastor of the church

"Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the Kingdom the power and the glory forever. Amen."

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CORINTHIAN BAPTIST NOTES.

Rev. J. Franklin Walker pastor. Sunday-school 9 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; communion first Sunday each month.

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

Vermont street, between Missouri and Toledo streets. Rev. J. M. Townsend, pastor. Services 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school 2:30 p. m.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

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THE STAGE.

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The annual stage review by Sylvester Russell will appear in the issue of December 24. Have you renewed your subscription. If not send your order at once, in order that you will not miss a single issue.

A Line From a Manager.

GENTLEMEN:—I received some twenty letters from the advertisment and I consider The Freeman a valuable assistant in all cases of emergencies as well as an interesting paper at all times.

FRANK MAHARA.

Harry A. Brown, the singing cartoonist, will open Dec. 12, at Fisher's theatre, Astoria, Ore., with the Chutes and Lyceum, San Francisco, Cal., to follow. He is headlining each piece presenting his new act, "The Artist's Studio."

A line from W. A. Cary.—Enclosed you will find subscription to The Freeman. We are away from the railroad and never see a colored paper of any kind. We are with the Quaker Medicine Co., doing fine, and all that is missing is The Freeman. We left St. George, Utah, Dec. 4 for Cedar City, Utah, two weeks, then to Beaver, Utah for two weeks.

The Oliver Scott's minstrels went to pieces on the 28th of November at Middlesboro, Ky. While the show was going on the manager caught the 9:30 train owing twenty-two people two weeks' salary. The company attached the car and four trunks of uniforms ann five drops belonging to first part and have got them tied up there.

On next Thursday comes one of Theodore Kremer's pyrotechnical melodramas, "Wedded and Parted." The plot is based upon impulsive but credulous love, base treachery and heartless deception. The play is in four acts with elevon scenes. The incidents turn upon the efforts of fiendish enemies to compromise a loyal wife in the eyes of her husband. Its story runs through the homes of the rich of New York and ends in the women's ward of the state prison at Auburn. One scene shows a team of horses running away in a blinding snow storm, wher the life of the heroine is saved by a daring policeman. There are many other strong situations and sensational climaxes. The play is in the hands of an excellent company.

Williams and Stevens in Hottest Coon in Dixie Co., writes.—We are still doing a nice business, everybody's well. We played Joliet to a packed house; Williams and Prof. Smith spent the day in Chicago, just reached Joliet in time for the night show Our new manager, Mr. Lesley, is well pleased with the company; Mr. Spofford has gone to look after two of the other shows belonging to this company. The Marshalls took dinner in Chicago with some of their kins folks last Sunday. Joliet being the home of Mr. Miller, leader of our orchestra, spared no pains in making it lovely for the company. Mrs. Smith, wife of our bandmaster, is spending a few weeks with the show. Williams and Stevens sends regards to all friends; those who have written write again Williams and Stevens care of The Freeman, New York Clipper or Bill Board.

The Whitman Sisters Concert Co., under musical direction of Albert Carroll, has been playing successful engagements throughout the state of Kentucky. In Lexington we played to S. R. O., benefit Orphans' Home at the Lexington opera house. While in Louisville we have played all of the leading churches and will play our farewell benefit at the Odd-Fellows' hall under the auspices Grenadier Co., E U. R., K. of P. This promises to be a grand affair. On the 13th of November the Whitman Sisters concert company and the Smart Set had the pleasure of meeting at the Avenue-theatre in Lpuisville, Ky., and happy was the meeting indeed with a general hand-shaking and discussion of the season's work. After the 7th we leave Louisville playing Bowling Green, Ky., Jackson, Tenn., thence to Memphis to Church's auditorum. Kindest regards to Mamie Emerson, George Walker and Clarence Powell.

Two melodramas make up the bills for the coming week at the Park theatre, beginning next Monday with Charles E. Blaney's big detective play, "The Child Slaves of New York." The story, dealing as it does with one of the vital questions of the day, child labor, is an interesting one and appeals with telling force. This theme forms the heart interest. Those looking for excitement and fun will find an abundance of both in the work of Homer Sherwood, the boy detective, who not only has wit in plenty, but is a detective of action, assuming disguises innumerable. Butts, the office boy, who hopes to become a Sleuth, and June Hart, a feminine reporter, also figure in the excitement and fun. The play has had a recent overhauling, some scenes having been cut out and new characters added. W. H. Vedder continues to plap the part of the detective and is supported by Harry Hammil, Maggie Meredith, Mabel Florence, Helen Fiske and others.

Napoleon Johnson writes from Georgia Minstrels: We are now in the land of high winds and sand. In Las Vegas, N. M., on Nov. 29, a very swell after theater luncheon was given in honor of Tommy Lewis and myself by Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Jefferson. John W. Cooper, the Wizard, has added some special-painted scenes, making, from an artistic view, a very neat and pretty stage setting. Harry Fiddler of Chinese fame, is still meeting with success with his imitations. So clever is he in his make-up and talk it keeps the audience in a wonder until he removes his wig. Clarence Powell of big mouth fame, is still the leading light, and he still holds to his old motto—"just a little different from the rest." Powell's name alone assure the people what real fun they will have in witnessing him, especially as Jim Jackson at the World's Fair. The band under Wm. Blue is meeting with great success in our daily and nightly concerts. One of the most talked of acts is the hoop rolling and club juggling of Clarence Johnson. Geo. Israel, trombonist, sends regards to Miss Augusta Steven's and all St. Louis friends.

News from the Little Savoy Theatre, Jacksonville, Fla.—Our stage manager, Will Goff Kennedy, is pleased with his performers; all live like one big family. Mrs. Pauline Crampton is still holding her own singing with much success, "You are the Flower of My Heart, Sweet Adeline," and "In the Village by the Sea." She sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession and would like to hear from Mattie Jenkins. Mrs. Carrie Hall, the Southern coon shouter is making a tremendous hit singing, "Coal Gone, Gone, Gone." When she is through there is nothing left undone. Billy Bradley, the New York favorite, is still getting his and says look out for him this spring as he is coming North once more though he has not been down South asleep. Billy Reeves, our Little Savoy favorite never fails to leave them with their mouths and eyes wide open. Georgie Ferris, our little soubrette, is doing nicely taking three and four, that's all. Williams and Devine are changing weekly in songs and acts and never fail to please. Our time had expired but owing to our clever work the manager, Mr. O'Toole has given us eight more weeks. Mr. O'Toole has gone to New York to get a few more ladies to strengthen the show and has left Mr. Gillett, our genial business manager in charge. Would like to hear from teams and lady performers. Long engagement to right parties, also tickets sent. Address Walter O'Toole 26 Bridge street, Jacksonville, Fla. Prof. Dorsey from Louisville, Ky, certainly knows his business on the piano and never gets tired of working up good choruses.

All colored performers, musicians and managers are called to the following letter:

"Prof. Wm. Blue—Dear Sir: I received your favor and I appreciate your valuable offer, but at present I must decline the same as I am under contract with Mr. Pat Chappelle, and I have no desire to give up my job here for several reasons.

First. I am a black man, and I am interested in anything that a black man has, and will do all in my power to make it a success.

Second. I have been with Mr. Chappelle over four years, and have always found him to be a perfect gentleman; he is always ready to help his people in any way he can; he has helped me and most every one of the company, as well as some not here who did not appreciate the same, like our friend Amos L. Gilliard, who did not appreciate the kindness shown him.

My third reason is I was learned with this show, and it belongs in Florida, where I do, and I know that Messrs. Rusco and Holland would have never picked me up as Mr. Chappelle did and learn me, so I will frankly say that, if you were to offer me $20 per week, I would consider it an insult.

I am sorry that Mr. Gilliard formed bad opinions of me. I would never persuade a member of a colored man's show to join a show run by a white man, as you know that the white man bought and sold our fore-parents, and I thank the Lord to-day that there are some young Negroes in the world that they cannot buy. I am one of them that Messrs. Rusco and Holland can not buy. And, as for yourself, Mr. Blue, I earnestly trust that this will be a lesson to you in the future—to hunt a black man for a white man. As for Mr. Gilliard, he is not my friend nor has he ever been. He is one of those young men that has no regard for himself or any one else or he would still be with this show if he had carried himself like a gentleman. Mr. Gilliard acted bad until Mr. Chappelle was forced to put him off the train between stations. There were five young men from Amos Gilliard's home who were raised with him, and they approved of Mr. Chappelle putting Gilliard off the train.

Now, for Mr. Jones' part, I cannot say much about him, only I don't think that he would be so foolish to quit his job here as a bandmaster to work under some one else. I don't think that your company could pay him any more than he is getting here. So I think you had better get Mr. Gilliard to refer you to some other show to get what people you need.

Just a few more remarks before I close. I wish to inform you that "A Rabbit's Foot Company" is now a responsible show, and I am satisfied that the income is just as much as Rusco and Holland's show if not more. I cannot see where the Rusco and Holland show can pay more than this show I trust, in the future, you will try to get other people from other places for your white bosses instead of trying to break up a colored show.

We have quite a large show here—three cars, over sixty people, four horses, four rubber-tired buggies, automobile, two wagons, band of eighteen pieces, drum and bugle corps of six pieces, and we get the money for the colored people do not have to go up the side fire-escape or in back door and set in the gallery to see show. They set where they pay for.

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Clermont, Mamie G
Dobbs, Miss Georgia
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Jones, Mrs D B
Mitchell, Maudie 2
Morton, Clara
Motley, Miss Nellie
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Roberson, Mrs Mary
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Stone, Mrs Josephine
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Wilson, Miss Dora

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Armstrong, Roy
Bebee, C W
Castor, Frank
Bush, Clarence
Cooper, S
Cissel and Mines 2
Carter and Howell 2
Cooper, J W
Cambell, Fred
Cameron, Oscar
English, J H
George, J E 2
Gideon, L E 2
Grisson, Roger
Hughes, Ed
Howard, E L
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Martin, Sr., A A
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McDonnell, J L
McCameron, Prof
Marshall, Sonny
Mobley, J W
Perry, Oliver
Petetts, The
Reeves, The
Smith, Prof H
Saulters, Fred H
Shaw and Clifton 2
Smith, D D 3
Stevens, J H
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The Fosters 2
Tibs, Sol
Williams, H L
Websters, The
Wolscalls, James
Williams, J H
White, Arthur
Wade, Kid

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A Rabbit Foot Co.—Augusta, Ga., Dec. 12; Aiken, S. C., 13; Blackville, 14.

Billy Kersands Minstrels.—Ft. Worth, Tex., Dec. 12; Denton, 13; Gainesville, 14; Sherman, 15.

Frank Mahara's Big Minstrels Co.—Mystic, Ia., Dec. 12; Seymour, 13; Centerville, 14; Unionville, Mo., 15; Queen City, 16; Memphis, Mo., 17.

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CLUB NOTES

Edited by Paralee Lucas.

LAWRENCE, KANSAS.

The attendance at the Sunday Forum is steadily increasing. November 20th the organization was fortunate to have present Mr. D. E. Tobias of London, England, the writer for the Williams and Walker Co., who very ably discussed the paper read by Miss Paralee Lucas on "Peter, the Man, a Character Study." The paper was in defense of the Apostle, excusing his actions by a psychological explanation. Tobias afterward gave an extended survey of his work as also of the company he represented.

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The ladies of the Stewardess Board met Monday, Nov. 21, with Mrs. Lucy McPike on Mississippi street. The meeting was what might be called a "reckoning meeting." Plans were discussed for a more systematic method of visiting the sick and "shut-in" people. The daily reading of a chapter in the Bible was insisted upon by the president. Those present were Mesdames Lucy Gleed, Callie Thomas, M. J. Reed, Parthenia Henderson and Lucy McPike. The visitor this time was Mrs. C. A. Kyles.

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The Auxiliary Board met Monday, Nov. 21, at 4 p. m., with Mrs. L. Carter. A large attendance was present.

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Mrs. Belle Jeans was hostess of the Sierra Leone Club Nov. 22.

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We are glad to note that the Twentieth Century Club is once more progressing under the efficient leadership of Miss Lillie Williams, K. U. ('07). The young ladies scheduled a concert for Nov. 23. We hope to hear more of this helpful organization.

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THE C. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Much Indignation Against the Southern Railroads by Travelers.

Selma, Ala., Special.—The annual conference of the C. M. E. church opened here on Tuesday, Dec. 6, with quite a large attendance of preachers and visitors. Bishop Cottrell presided over this conference.—Much indignation is expressed by persons traveling who are forced to stay any length of time in the apartment of the union depot owned by the Southern railroads for colored people. The apartment, it is said, is not kept clean; the grate, if any were ever there, has fallen out and no fire can be made, the lights are frequently turned out while passengers are sitting waiting for their trains.—The ceremony of breaking ground for a colored college near Birmingham took place on Tuesday, Dec. 6. All our people rejoice that a first class school is to be located so near to us.—The plans of the public building which Uncle Sam propose to build here for the accommodation of the mails have arrived. Those who have seen them are of the opinion that the proposed building is inadequate in size and beauty to the needs of our prosperous and growing city. It is hoped by all of our people that the government will give us a building not only suitable in size, but one that will be an ornament to our city.

REV. I. P. BROCKINGTON, D. D.

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the white Baptist church in 1853 and ordained in 1866 and was called to pastorate the Baptist church of Darlington, one of the largest congregations in the state, which pulpit he still fills In 1867 Rev. Brockington began the great work of gathering the scattered element of the church and moulding them into associations, giving dignity and tone to the church. He became moderator of the Pee Dee Association in 1870 and has been a continuous inspiration to it ever since. In 1877 Rev. Brockington, with Rev. E. M. Brawley, organized the State Baptist Convention. The meeting convened at Sumpter, S. C., May 2 1877. Dr. I. P. Brockington was elected president and Dr. E. M. Brawley secretary This position Dr. Brockington still holds to the satisfaction of all. He is a model minister and well in advance of the preachers of his day. Benedick college is a great debtor to his influence, he being a true friend of its progress. The young men of the state are encouraged by him; the old men of the state are sustained by him and the race as a whole is proud of him. To see him in control of one of his great meetings has been my privilege and is worth a trip to South Carolina to see. Rev. Brockington has been active in the interest of his race along other lines. He read law and for eight years practiced at the bar in his county court. He was elected and served as justice of the peace for eight years, but we might multiply terms at the expense of space and still fall far short of the full measure of this great man. Let it finally be said that his cut in your paper does honor to your columns and will, no doubt, be a pleasure to the thousands who know him and a great encouragement to the aspiring young Negro in all walks of life.

WANDERER.

Deal L Jackson of Dougherty county, Ga., has for the past seven years enjoyed the distinction of being the "first bale man of Georgia," and is one of the most interesting characters of that section. Jackson is an ex slave and the African blood in his veins is untainted He has enjoyed no educational advantages, but through his own efforts has learned to read and write, and no man living can pull the wool over his eyes in a legitimate business transaction Jackson is a builder of churches and schools for his people, and is one of the most public spirited men in Dougherty county. From poverty to financial independence has been a rapid progress for this Negro. He has been a farmer all his life and rented a plantation before he was grown. Mr. Jackson purchased his first piece of land eighteen years ago for which he paid $1,000, and as fast as one purchase was paid for he negotiated another, and to day he owns 2,000 acres of the finest farm land in Georgia. This is not the sum total of Jackson's estate, however, and it is safe to say that his fortune is well in excess of $40 000. Jackson farms scientifically and his fields of corn are famous among the farmers of West Dougherty while his farm is a model. Jackson lives with his family in a splendid dwelling on his farm.

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"But what's it for?"

"Why—it's—it's likely meant fer decorations."

"It seems to have been here some time."

"It has. I reckon it's most due to be called in. It's be'n up ever sence—sence"—

"Who put it up, Ross?"

"We did."

"What for?"

Ross was visibly embarrassed. "Why—fer—fer the other editor."

"For Mr. Fisbee?"

"Land, no! You don't suppose we'd go to all that work and bother to brisken things up for that old gentleman, do you?"

"I meant young Mr. Fisbee. He is the other editor, isn't he?"

"Oh!" said Ross. "Young Mr. Fisbee? Yes; we put 'em up fer him."

"You did? Did he appreciate them?"

"Well, he—seemed to—kind of like 'em."

"Where is he now? I came here to find him."

"He's gone."

"Gone? Hasn't he been here this afternoon?"

"Yes; some the time. Come in and stayed durin' the leevy you was holdin' and saw the extry off all right."

"When will he be back?"

"Sence it's be'n a daily he gits here by 8 after supper, but don't stay very late. Old Mr. Fisbee and Parker look after whatever comes in then, unless it's something special. He'll likely be here by half past 8 at the farthest off."

"I can't wait till then. I've been wanting to see him every minute since I got in, and he hasn't been near me. Nobody could even point him out to me. Where has he gone? I want to see him now."

"Want to discharge him again?" said a voice from the door, and, turning, they saw that Mr. Martin stood there observing them.

"No," said Harkless. "I want to give him the Herald. Do you know where he is?"

Mr. Martin stroked his beard deliberately. "The person you speak of hadn't ought to be very hard to find in Carlow, and—well, maybe when found you'll want to put a kind of a codicil to that deed to the Herald. The committee was reckless enough to hire that carriage of yours by the day, and Keating and Warren Smith are sitting in it up at the corner with their feet on the cushions to show how used they are to riding around with four white horses every day in the week. It's waiting till you're ready to go out to Briscoes'. There's an hour before supper time, and you can talk to young Fisbee all you want. He's out there."

The first words Warren Smith spoke had lifted the veil of young Fisbee's duplicity; had shown John with what fine intelligence and supreme delicacy and sympathy young Fisbee had worked for him, had understood him and had made him. If the open attack on McCune had been made and the damnatory evidence published in Harkless' own paper while Harkless himself was a candidate and rival he would have felt dishonored. The McCune papers could have been used for Halloway's benefit, but not for his own, and young Fisbee had understood and had saved him. It was a point of honor that many would have held finical and inconsistent, but one that young Fisbee had comprehended was vital to Harkless. And this was the man he had discharged like a dishonest servant, the man who had thrown what (in Carlow eyes) was riches into his lap, the man who had made his paper and who had made him and saved him. Harkless wanted to see young Fisbee as he longed to see only one other person in the world.

As the barouche drove up to the brick house he made out through the trees a retreative flutter of skirts on the porch, and the thought crossed his mind that Minnie had flown indoors to give some final directions toward the preparation of the banquet. But when the barouche halted at the gate he was surprised to see her waving to him from the steps, while Tom Meredith and Mr. Bence and Mr. Boswell formed a little court around her. Lige Willetts rode up on horseback at the same moment, and the judge was waiting in front of the gate. Harkless stepped out of the barouche and took his hand. "I was told young Fisbee was here."

"Young Fisbee is here," said the judge.

Mr. Fisbee came around the corner of the house and went toward Harkless. "Fisbee," cried the latter, "where is your nephew?"

The old man took his hand in both his own and looked him between the eyes and thus stood while there was a long pause, the others watching them. "You must not say that I told you," he said at last. "Go into the garden."

But when Harkless' step crunched the garden there was no one there. Asters were blooming in beds between the green rosebushes, and their many fingered hands were flung open in wide surprise that he should expect to find young Fisbee there. It was just before sunset. Birds were gossiping in the sycamores on the bank. At the foot of the garden, near the creek, there were some tall hydrangea bushes, flower laden, and beyond them one broad shaft of sun smote the creek bends for a mile in that flat land and crossed the garden like a bright, taut drawn veil. Harkless passed the bushes and stepped out into this gold brilliance. Then he uttered a cry and stopped. Helen was standing beside the hydrangeas with both hands pressed to her face and her eyes cast on the ground. She had run away as far as she could run. There were high fences extending down to the creek on each side, and the water was beyond.

"You!" he said. "You! You!"

She did not lift her eyes, but began to move away from him with little backward steps. When she reached the bench on the bank she spoke with a quick intake of breath and in a voice he almost failed to hear, the merest whisper, and her words came so slowly that sometimes minutes separated them. "Can you—will you keep me—on the Herald?"

"Keep you"—

He came near her. "I don't understand. Is it you—you—who are here again?"

"Have you forgiven me? You know—now—why I wouldn't resign? You forgive my—that telegram?"

"What telegram?"

"The one that came to you—this morning."

"Your telegram?"

"Yes."

"Did you send me one?"

"Yes."

"It did not come to me."

"Yes—it did."

"But—what was it about?"

"It was signed," she said; "it was signed"— She paused and turned half away, not lifting the downcast lashes. Her hand, resting upon the back of the bench, was shaking. She put it behind her. Then her eyes were lifted a little, and, though they did not meet his, he saw them, and a glory sprang into being in his heart. Her voice fell still lower, and two heavy tears rolled down her cheeks. "It was signed," she whispered, "it was signed—'H. Fisbee.'"

He began to tremble from head to foot. There was a long silence. She had turned full away from him. When he spoke his voice was as low as hers, and he spoke as slowly as she had. "You mean—then—then it was—you?"

"Yes."

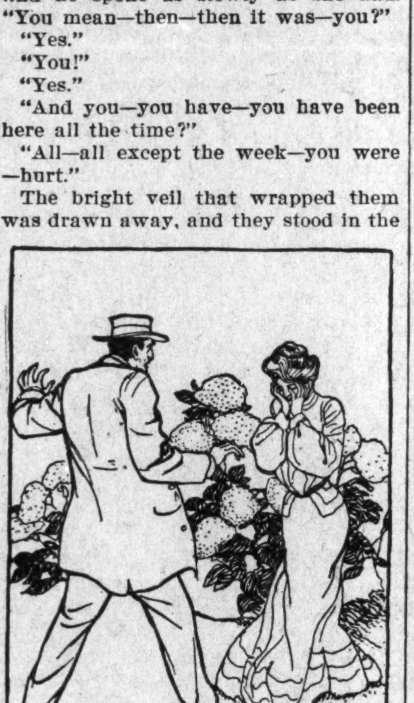
"You!"

"Yes."

"And you—you have—you have been here all the time?"

"All—all except the week—you were—hurt."

The bright veil that wrapped them was drawn away, and they stood in the quiet, gathering dusk. He tried to loosen his neckband; it seemed to be choking him. "I—I can't—I don't comprehend it. I am trying to realize what it all means."



"You!" he said. "You!"

"It means nothing," she answered.

"There was an editorial yesterday," he said, "an editorial that I thought was about Rodney McCune. Did you write it?"

"Yes."

"It was about—me—wasn't it?"

"Yes."

"It said—it said that—that I had won the—the—love of every person in Carlow county."

Suddenly she found her voice. "Do not misunderstand me," she said rapidly. "I have done the little that I have done out of gratitude." She faced him now, but without meeting his eyes. "I owed you more gratitude than a woman ever owed a man before, I think, and I would have died to pay a part of it."

"What gratitude did you owe me?"

"What gratitude? For what you did for my father."

"I have never seen your father in my life."

"Listen. My father is a gentle old man with white hair and kind eyes. My name is my uncle's. He and my aunt have been good to me as a father and mother since I was seven years old, and they gave me their name by law, and I lived with them. My father came to see me once a year; I never came to see him. He always told me everything was well with him, that his life was happy, and I thought it was easier for him not having me to take care of, he has been so poor ever since I was a child. Once he lost the little he had left to him in the world, his only way of making his living. He had no friends; he was hungry and desperate, and he wandered. I was dancing and going about wearing jewels—only I did not know. All the time the brave heart wrote me happy letters. I should have known, for there was one who did and who saved him. When at last I came to see my father he told me—he had written of his idol before, but it was not till I came that he told it all to me. Do you know what I felt? While his daughter was dancing cotillons a stranger had taken his hand and—and"— A sob rose in her throat and checked her utterance for a moment, but she threw up her head proudly. "Gratitude, Mr. Harkless!" she cried. "I am James Fisbee's daughter!"

He fell back from the bench with a sharp exclamation and stared at her through the gray twilight. She went on hurriedly, still not looking at him. "I wanted to do something to show you that I could be ashamed of my vile neglect of him—something to show you his daughter could be grateful—and it has been such dear, happy work, the little I have done, that it seems, after all, that I have done it for love of myself. It is what I had always wanted to do—to earn a living for myself, to live with my father. When I came here, my aunt and uncle were terribly afraid I would stay with him. It was to prevent this that they determined to go abroad, and my father said I must go back to them. Then you were—were hurt, and he needed me so much he let me stay. When you—when you told me"—she broke off with a strange, fluttering, half inarticulate little laugh that was half tears and then resumed in another tone—"when you told me you cared that night—that night of the storm—how could I be sure? It had been only two days, you see, and even if I could have been sure of myself—why, I couldn't have told you. Oh, I had so brazenly thrown myself at your head time and again those two days in my—my worship of your goodness to my father and my excitement in recognizing in his friend the hero of my girlhood that you had every right to think I cared; but if—but if I had—if I had—loved you with my whole soul I could not have—why, no woman could have—I mean the sort of girl I am—couldn't have admitted it—must have denied it. Do you think that then I could have answered 'Yes,' even if I had wanted to—even if I had been sure of myself? And now"— Her voice sank again to a whisper. "And now"—

"And now?" he said tremulously. She gave a hurried glance from right to left and from left to right, like one in terror seeking a way of escape; she gathered her skirts in her hand as if to run into the garden, but suddenly she turned and ran to him. She threw her arms about his neck and kissed him on the forehead.

When they heard the judge calling from the orchard they went back through the garden toward the house. It was dark. The whitest asters were but gray splotches. There was no one in the orchard. Briscoe had gone indoors.

"Did you know you are to drive me into town in the phaeton for the fireworks?" she asked.

"Fireworks?"

"Yes. The great Harkless has come home." Even in the darkness he could see the look the vision had given him when the barouche turned into the square. She smiled upon him and said, "All afternoon I was wishing I could have been your mother."

He clasped her hand more tightly. "This wonderful world!" he cried. "Yesterday I had a doctor—a doctor to cure me of lovesickness!"

After a time they had proceeded a little nearer the house. "We must hurry," she said. "I am sure they have been waiting for us." This was true; they had.

From the dining room came laughter and hearty voices, and the windows were bright with the light of many lamps. By and by they stood just outside the patch of light that fell from one of the windows.

"Look!" said Helen. "Aren't they good, dear people?"

"The beautiful people!" he answered.

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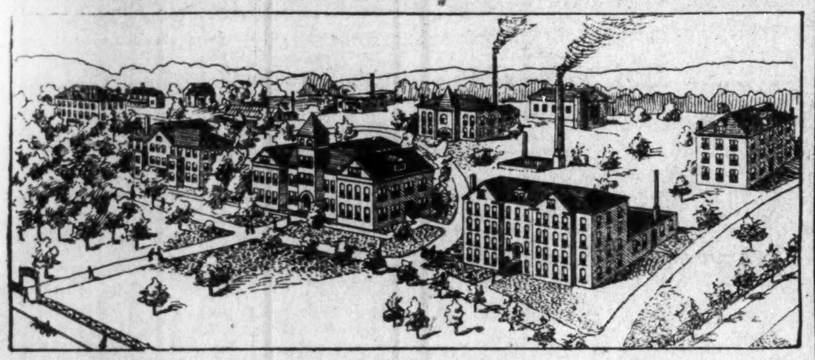

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THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

SOUTHERN NEGROES WEARY OF HYPOCRITICAL LEADERSHIP

LAWYER LOTT OUT FOR RECORDER

Prof. Du Bois Hauled Over Live Coals for not Practicing the "Manhood" he Preaches—Tillman's Miraculous Conversion—Sharps and Flats.

(Staff Correspondence.)

An Atlanta correspondent of the New York Age is hauling Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois over some very live coals and is asking that eminent authority on "The Souls of Black Folk" a few questions that threaten to cause him no end of embarassment. The Age's correspondent recites the fact that Du Bois has been vigorously denouncing Democratic rule in Georgia and in the nation as an incubus and not long ago took severely to task certain southern race leaders for "lack of manhood" in failing to go boldly up to the polls and record their votes for the candidates of a party that stands for honesty, decency and a square deal—Roosevelt and Fairbanks. It developed, however, when the time came for the valiant (?) Du Bois to give an object lesson of the faith that was in him his own "manhood" flunked and the yellow streak became painfully apparent. The Age's 'Sherlock Holmes" says he searched the records at all of the polling places in Atlanta where Du Bois could possiby be entitled to a vote but upon no registration book, certificate or scrap of paper could there be found the slightest indication that Du Bois had registered or had attempted to show his manhood by even placing himself in a position to oppose the Democratic machine or to follow the advice he had given other Negroes to vote for Roosevelt and Fairbanks at the risk of their lives, if such risk were necessary to hold open the door of hope He was loud in urging black men to defy the whites and coursed out as cowards southern leaders who counselled conservatism and sanity—yet when the scratch came his courage oozed out at his finger-tips and his own medicine proved too drastic for his debilitated nerves. The Age's very sensible writer caustically concludes his letter with this emphatic paragraph:

"Negroes of the South are becoming somewhat weary of the continual lecturing received from these self-constituted leaders. If they will do a little something in the way of practicing what they preach it will make us feel a great better. If Du Bois desires to have the continued respect of the colored people of Georgia and of the South he will have at least to show that he is willing to do what he so blatantly seeks to have others do. If he desires us to stand up for "manhood rights" we would like to see a little of the same thing on his part."

This is a "hot one" and goes to the marrow of a situation that is disgusting the colored people of the South who believe in practical progress and who know more about the value of neighborly co-operation than college bred dreamers who deal in platitudinous professions of valor that they do not possess. Doers of the word, not talkers are wanted to build up the southland and to promote the racial harmony essential to success. The Atlanta scribe renders a distinct service in calling attention to this sorry species of humbuggery that needs to be suppressed.

We are able to definitely announce the candidacy of James H. Lott, a prominent attorney of Indianapolis, for the office of Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia. On authoritative statement from Mr. Lott himself may be given out at an early date. Mr. Lott claims to have the endorsement of the present Indiana Senators as well as the support of many leading Republicans and feeling that the Hoosier state is entitled to as good as there is, officially, he regards his chances as exceedingly bright. Mr. Lott is a handsome man whose thirty-nine years rest lightly upon his brow and has lived in Indiana for the past fourteen years, practicing law, in which he has achieved a large measure of success. An important action in which he appeared to advantage was the case of Anderson vs. L & N. R R. Co., otherwise known as the "Separate Coach Case," tried in 1894 in the federal court of Kentucky to test the legality of the separate car law of that state. Mr. Lott has never held an appointive office, although he has been active in Republican politics since boyhood and has always given his best service to the party on the stump and in committee without fee or reward. His host of friends think it is his hour to arive and are getting ready to push him into his "kingdom." We do not know whether there is to be a vacancy or not in the recordership, but if the President is determined to transfer Mr. Dancy to a more desiral post we would be greatly pleased to Welcome Mr. Lott as a successor who is in every way fitted for the place.

The conversion of Tillman comes a little late and it is worth about as much as the the average death-bed repentance, but the withdrawal of his opposition to the confirmation of Dr. W. D. Crum simplifies matters somewhat and we may now rest assured that the senate will take prompt and favorable action upon the most bitterly contested case of its kind in modern political history. The fact that an enemy to the administration like Tillman could so long hold the President and the Republican majority at bay upon this matter is an instance of how that monstrous humbug "senatorial courtesy" can be carried to ridiculous and humiliating extremes. It is a custom that has gone to seed and should be dropped as a relic of the paleologic age, good for nothing except as a relic to mark how far the nation has gone ahead of it. We are not surprised at anything Tillman may do, and his surrender at this time and acknowledgment that the race issue was a fraud are only additional proof of the rank insincerity that has placed him at the head of American political adventurers and opportunists. Tillman has a card up his sleeve in thus rallying to the rescue of Crum and will bear watching. The old adage "Beware of the Greeks, though they come bearing gifts," will fittingly apply to the wily South Carolinian in his novel role of the converted Saul of Tarsus—a part that may or may not please him throughout the play. Repentance is not Ben Tillman's "long suit."

John D Howard, the hustling advertising manager of The Freeman, has been with us a forfortnight. We are always glad to see him in Louisville and around the falls cities for these are his old stamping grounds and here he is deservedly popular because of his geniality to all classes and gentlemanly deportment wherever duty or pleasure may call him. While in Louisville he visited quite a number of our leading firms and had no difficulty in placing some "ads" that will go far to swell the bank account of both The Freeman and himself. When I sat down with him over a typical Kentucky "lay-out" of good things to "take stock" as it were and "box the compass" he had been on the go for only twelve days but he had chalked up to his credit the following gilt edged contracts: Old Times distillery, $156; Stitzel Distillery Co., $97 50; Clay Street Brewing Co., $104; Mellwood Distillery Co., $52; John T. Steir, Cigar Co., $26; Paul Jones whiskey $52; the West Louisville Brewing Co., $12. Here is a grand total of $613 50 in a round covering but twelve days making an average of over $50 per day. When I left him he had a bunch of possible contracts in sight as inviting as the foregoing. He had two more days in which to work and with so convincing an advertising medium as the Freeman, backed by his pleasing address and personal magnetism, I do not doubt that he was able to carry the aggregate to fully $1,000 Mr. Howard's territory covers the United States and Canada and he can only offer his flattering inducements to a few of the most representative houses. Most of these will see the advantage of placing their business in an attractive fashion before the Freeman's extensive clientage of readers and I see in front of Mr. Howard a record breaking year. He asks me to say that he extends his sincere thanks not only to the larger firms that have given him excellent contracts but to leading business men of the race who have shown him the most helpful courtises. The Freeman is fortunate in having upon its staff such a pusher as Mr. Howard. He is a tower of srength to the paper—truly, one man in a thousand.

The vacancy on the Zion bench of bishops, caused by the death of Bishop I. C. Clinton, cannot be filled until the sitting of the general conference in 1908. The nine remaining prelates will be called upon to do the work planned very closely for ten. The far-seeing delegates who held out last spring for the election of three bishops to forestall just such an emergency are saying "I told you so!" The campaign for 1908 is already on and the woods are full of candidates. As two or more of the bishops now living are in poor health and the church is expanding in every direction, a determined effort will be made four years hence to elect at least three, bringing the total up to twelve. A round dozen general superintendents will not be too many by 1908.

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The President can "speak softly" now that "the big stick" has been used where it would do the most good.

An Indiana white woman is turning brown—not because that color is the prevailing fashion. She just naturally can't help it.

When Sylvester Russell learns that Prof. Cotter is handing out another batch of poems he will prick up his ears and begin sharpening a fresh pencil.

Mrs. Henry Y. Arnett has resigned as matron at Wilberforce University after a year or more of capable service. She is succeeded by Mrs. Samuel T. Mitchell.

Payne Theological Seminary, attached to Wilberforce University, gives tangible evidence of prosperity by increasing its faculty from two professors to three.

There is a yawning chasm where Capt. Richmond Pierson Hobson disappeared. The ex kisser and ex-hero of the Merrimack is one son in whom the state of Alabama is not well pleased.

The American people will allow no party to succeed which endeavors to thrive by arraying one class of American citizens against another class, because of the accident of color.

Your Uncle J. Milton Turner is wearing a smile that won't come off. The silver-tongued Missourian never had any love for the outside when "things were doing" on the inside.

Rev. L. G. Jordan, the Baptists foremost missionary in the "dark continent," will educate four native African boys in this country to carry the light of Christianity back to their benighted land.

A denomination gains nothing by retaining an immoral, dishonest or incompetent preacher merely because it is short of men. The cause of Christ would be advanced if churches were fewer and better.

Taylor and Payne can claim a handsome reward if they can find a man who voted for them. Tom Taggart may find consolation in that the Democracy ran several laps ahead of Stanley P. Mitchell's Civil Libertyites.

Of course, when a bishop, in the wisdome of Providence, is called hence the regret among the numerous candidates is deep and sincere—but there is an acquiescence in the "will of the Lord" that is truly philosophical.

The ministry needs progressive young men if the sacred profession would keep pace with the demands of the times. It is a noble work and should be made especially inviting to the kind of recruits that will reflect credit upon the church.

Rev. Jay Albert Johnson of Baltimore (but who would rather be "of Washington") offers no denial of the report that he has abandoned his ill-fated candidacy for the Bishopric to run for the presidency of Wilberforce University.

Dr. J. E. Shepard, of North Carolina, put in some telling work for Roosevelt and Fairbanks in West Virginia, New York, New Jersey and Maryland. The brilliant young leader should and will be handsomely recognized by the administration.

If the reports from the great conventions of the year are to be believed religion, civilization, ethics and political morals apper to be simply a matter of geography, meaning one thing in Georgia and something totally different in Massachusetts.

Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis is making a highly profitable round of Washing churches preliminary to a tour of the West and South. Albert Young, her support, is scoring heavily in Chinese impersonations and in a brand-new budget of tenor solos.

Andrew Carnegie has offered Atlanta, Ga., $10 000 for a library for Negroes since our people are denied access to the library given to the general public. The conditions are that the city furnish a site and appropriate annually 10 per cent of the original gift for maintenance. The offer will probably be accepted.

Rev. A. Henry Attaway, who is achieving great results as a promoter of commercial and industrial interests in South Africa, is spending some time in this country, making his headquarters in Louisville. He thinks South Africa will prove an El Dorado for the enterprising American Negro. In less than three years he has become a large land-holder there.

Joseph S. Cotter, Louisville's favorite bard, is preparing a new collection of poems for publication. He will make several appearances in the vicinity of his home this season as a reader, giving selections from his own works. Mr. Cotter is the author of the classic drama "Caleb, the Degenerate," "Links of Friendship," and many fugitive verses that have been favorably commented upon by literary critics.

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

The bachelor's danced on last Friday evening.

George Scott will spend the winter down East.

Miss Mamie Locklear will spend Xmas in Bedford.

Mrs. Alverda Baker is ill at her home in West street

Will Thompson, of Chicago, is in the city on business.

Lawrence Lewis, one of the old town boys, is in the city.

All society uses Woodbine Perfume. Blodau's drug store.

Lunceford Hilliard and Lena Rivers were married this week.

Uneeda a good photo, go to Bennet's, 36 E. Washington street.

Hugh Rice, of the Grand dining room will take a vacation soon.

Mrs. Hagar Temple has returned from a visit to Louisville.

Mrs. Clara Rogers, wife of Edward Rogers, is ill at her home.

Tomorrow is quarterly meeting day at Bethel A. M. E. church.

Julius Avedorf, of Chicago, passed through the city last week,

Miss Dorothy Collins, of Milwaukee, is in the city visiting friends.

William Curry of the Pullman Co., is taking a vacation this week.

Joseph Clark, of Plainfield, was in the city on business this week.

Miss Elizabeth Taylor, of Evansville' is visiting relatives in the city.

Mrs. Cornelia Hudson is seriously ill at her home, 1320 Harlan street.

Miss May Hansard spent Thanksgiving in the city the guest of friends.

A. Oliver, of South Bend, Ind., is in the city with a view of locating here

Frank Price, who is now located in St. Louis, is in the city, visiting his family.

A social will be given at the residence of Mrs. A. Coleman's, 1315 Harlan street, tonight.

W. H. Roberts, who has been in Peoria, Ill., for the past few weeks, has returned home.

Go to McCloskey's new studio 160 N. Illinois Those Oval Photos $1 00 per dozen are beauties. tf

Mrs. Charlotte Johnson, of East Fifteenth street, has gone to Chicago, to be gone two weeks.

Mrs. Mary L. Williams and little son, Robert. were confined to their beds a few days last week.

Mrs. Mattie Williams, in East Cottage street. spent Thanksgiving with her parents in Edinburg.

Miss Gladys Meyers, who has been in Milwaukee for the past year, will return home this winter.

Sterling Loftin, of Nashville, Tenn will spend the holidays among relatives and friends in the city.

Miss Lizzie Phillips, who has been visiting in Chicago for the last few months, is home again.

All the colored veterans of the Spnish-American war will meet at 529½ Indiana avenue December 12.

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Sam Scoggins will give a 'stag' party at his home in South Capital avenue Monday after Christmas.

Simpson Chapel choir gave a sacred cantata on last Sunday evening at the church, which was quite a success.

Mrs Hattie Turner entertained a number of friends at luncheon last Sunday at her home in Adelaide street,

Clarence Grubbs and John Pennybaker have returned to the city after spending a few months at French Lick

Cecil Saunders headwaiter at Exchange hotel at the stock yards, is suffering with an acute attack of rheumatism

The George Downing Home Missionary society met with Mrs Mary Arnold, 373 W. Fifteenth street, Friday afternoon at 2:30 p m.

Miss Anna Stewart, who has been in the city for some time, the guest of friends, has returned to her home in Bowling Green, Ky.

Edward Pickens is still holding his own with the Traveling Men's club. Mr. Pickens is very highly respected among the business men of the city.

Mrs. Bessie Evans, who is spending a few weeks in North Carolina among relatives and friends, wishes to be remembered by her many friends at home

The Kenmore club which was recently organized with Albert Straughter, president; H R. Clemons, secretary, will give a banquet on January 3rd at Odd Fellow's hall.

Mrs J. W. Robinson and daughter, of Danville, Ill., who were here to attend the Ward-Locklear wedding have returned home. While here they were the guests of relatives and friends.

Some of the young men of the city have organized a club which is to be call "Metroplitan" R. B Shelton, president; John Sommers, vice president; James Jones, secretary; E. Stone, treasurer.

The home of David Yates in Brightwood was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday of lasl week. Hattie Nell, one of the two year old twins, was burned to death. The child was buried last Monday morning.

A Bible class for young ladies and gentlemen has been organized at Bethel A. M. E Sunday school with Mr. John Evans as teacher. All young people interested in Sunday school work are especially invited. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

The Rev. Geo. Brabham, of Pennsylvania, the prospective pastor of the Ninth Presbyterian church. will preach tomorrow at 11 a. m., and 8 p m. He is a graduate of Lincoln University. Sunday school 2:30 p. m., and Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m.

James J. Turner, formerly of Indianapolis, but now living at Providence, R. I, sailed from New York City November 19th for Bermuda Islands, where he goes on account of failing health. The Freeman wishes him a pleasant trip and a speedy recovery.

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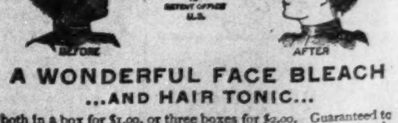

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